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Osbourn Host To Warriors

Wakefield High School travels to Manassas, Virginia tonight to grapple with Osbourn in a basketball contest in which the Warriors are hoping to get their winning wagon rolling once more.

Fresh from Saturday night's sound walloping of Richard Montgomery, Coach Robbie Robinson's lads are eager and anxious to smother the Manassas boys in a repetition of their earlier victory over the Osbourn team.

With Danny Myers and Warren Watson looming as a possible double-barrel scoring punch the Warriors are preparing for a rough contest with their hosts, who are going all out to trip the Arlingtonians.

Up in Manassas, Coach Joe Fortuna is trying to bring his season's record up from a lowly 8-9 mark to an even 500. By some twist of fate the Wakefield lads have an identical record of 8 wins and 9 defeats, and both clubs are struggling for an even break.

Coach Fortuna has a well-balanced ball club waiting to ambush the Warriors with Lee Kruse, Jack Breeden and Wallace Hook expecting to hit for double figures in the battle.

"We feel we have nothing to lose and everything to gain. We're out

of the Group II Tournament now and are out to avenge our earlier defeat by Wakefield" was the way Fortuna described his team's attitude.

Coach Robbie Robinson is firing a combination of powerful defense and possible scoring thrust in Henry Mayo, tall center on the Wakefield quintet. Mayo hasn't been hitting for many points while uturning in outstanding defensive performances, but against Richard Montgomery the boy suddenly got hit and hit for ten tallies.

Warren Watson is a good rebounder and sometimes a hot man on the firing line, while Danny Myers has had one big night against Richard Montgomery, and is out to continue his hot streak.

Don Richards of Wakefield can pull in rebounds and hit the bucket from all over the court.

Ray Regan, Butch Vanden and Steve Holderness will probably see a good deal of action and any of these boys could run wild against the Manassas on a hot night.

NOTES: Joe Fortuna describes his team as "hot and cold," and figures that if his boys' temperatures are high they'll wrap the gymnasium around the necks of the visiting Warriors.